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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
TAKASHI IKEDA, ET AL. ) Examiner: Unassigned  
Application No.: 09/960,743 ) Group Art Unit: 2824  
Filed: September 24, 2001 )  
For: MAGNETIZATION REVERSAL )  
METHODS FOR MAGNETIC )  
FILM, MAGNETORESISTIVE )  
FILMS, AND MAGNETIC )  
MEMORIES USING THEM ) February 21, 2002

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Further to the Information Disclosure Statement filed on January 7, 2002, in compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed document is also enclosed.

PUBLICATION:

"Thin Ferromagnetic Films" by M. Prutton (pages 96 to 115).

REMARKS

The "Thin Ferromagnetic Films" publication is cited at page 19 of the specification, and is believed pertinent for the reasons set forth therein. A copy of the publication is enclosed for the Examiner's consideration.

FEE STATEMENT

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the present application, or prior to the mailing of an initial official action. Accordingly, Applicants believe that no fee is required. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee necessitated by this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

CONCLUSION

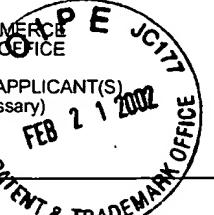
It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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